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SUBJ: DANISH NETWORK SEEKS KISSINGER TV INTERVIEW

1. DANMARKS RADIO, THE DANISH STATE RADIO -TV MONOPOLY, HAS SENT EMBASSY A LETTER ADDRESSED TO DR. KISSINGER, CONTAINING REQUEST TO INTERVIEW HIM IN WASHINGTON FOR USE ON OWN NETWORK AND THOSE OF OTHER EUROVISION AFFILIATES. COVER LETTER ASKS EMBASSY TO TRANSMIT REQUEST TO DEPARTMENT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

2. TEXT OF LETTER FOLLOWS: QUOTE YOUR EXCELLENCY, AS THE DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. K.B. ANDERSEN, AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE EEC, IS GOING TO HAVE TALKS WITH YOUR EXCELLENCY IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN THE NEAR FUTURE, I HEREBY REQUEST YOU, ON BEHALF OF THE DANISH TELEVISION, TO CONSENT TO A TV-INTERVIEW OF 50 MINUTES. THE DATE OF SUCH AN INTERVIEW COULD BE EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER MR. ANDERSEN'S VISIT, AND AS FAR AS THE PLACE OF THE SHOOTINGS IS CONCERNED WE ARE QUITE OPEN, TOO, AND ARE READY TO SEND OUR REPORTERS TO WASHINGTON.

IF YOUR REPLY IS POSITIVE WE INTEND TO ASSIGN THE TASK TO THREE TOP PEOPLE OF OUR STAFF, VIZ. US CORRESPONDENT, MR. CLAUS BERTEL TOKSVIG, FOREIGN EDITOR, MR. LASSE BUDTZ AND - DEPENDING ON THE TIME  
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SCHEDULE - FOREIGN EDITOR, MR. OLE SIPPEL OR FOREIGN

EDITOR, MR. PETER DALHOFF.

I ASSURE YOU THAT A TV-INTERVIEW WITH YOU, AS SUGGESTED, WILL HAVE CONSIDERABLE PROSPECTS OF BEING TELECAST BY MANY OTHER EUROPEAN TV-COMPANIES, TOO.

HOPING VERY MUCH THAT YOU WILL GIVE SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION TO OUR SUGGESTION, I REMAIN, YOURS SINCERELY, BENT SKAR, DEPUTY EDITOR, TV NEWS DEPARTMENT, DANMARKS RADIO. END QUOTE.

3. FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION, EMBASSY KNOWS ALL PROPOSED INTERVIEWERS. TWO OF THOSE LISTED, LASSE BUDTZ AND OLE SIPPEL, HAD MAJOR SHARE IN 50-MINUTE INTERVIEW OF SECTATE ROGERS IN COPENHAGEN IN JUNE.

4. IF GRANTED, INTERVIEW WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY MAKE VIRTUALLY EVERY WESTERN EUROPE TV NETWORK.

5. BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE WITH THESE NEWSMEN, EMBASSY IS CONFIDENT THAT GROUND RULES LAID DOWN FOR INTERVIEW BY DR. KISSINGER WILL BE COMPLIED WITH. THEY NORMALLY DO NOT OBJECT TO PRIOR DISCUSSION OF THEIR LINE OF QUESTIONING.

6. ORIGINAL LETTER WILL BE FORWARDED TODAY. WOULD APPRECIATE TELEGRAPHIC ADVICE OF TIME IF DR. KISSINGER AGREES TO PROJECT.  
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